

REMARKS

Claims 1-11 have been examined, with claims 1, 4, 5, 8, and 9 rejected and claims 2, 3, 6, 7, 10, and 11 objected to.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the indication of allowable subject matter in claims 2, 3, 6, 7, 10, and 11.

Specification

The disclosure has been objected to because the cross references to related applications have not been updated. In response, Applicant has amended the specification to include updated information.

Claim Objections

Claims 4-7 have been objected to because of informalities. Applicant's amendments to the claims are believed to overcome this objection.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC 103

Claims 1, 4, 5, 8, and 9 have been rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Chung (U.S. Patent No. 5,440,597) in view of Rainish (U.S. Patent No. 6,788,708).

While not conceding the validity of this rejection, but merely to advance prosecution, Applicant has amended claim 1 to include the features of allowable claim 2, placed allowable claims 3, 6, and 7 in independent form, amended claim 9 to include the features of allowable claim 10, and placed claim 11 in independent form. Claims 1, 3, 4, 6-8, 1, and 11 are therefore believed to be in condition for allowance.

